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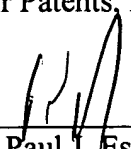
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Received from the Japanese Patent Office in connection with the corresponding PCT application. Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited references, together with a copy of the Search Report. The relevance of the above-identified references 1-10 has been described in the Search Report. Please note that references 7, 11, 12, 13 and 17 are also cited in the specification.

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